ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF MERRIMAC,

FOR THE

Year Ending January 31,

1895.

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Selectmen, Town Officers and School Committee

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MERRIMAC, MASS.,
F. G. HOLBROOK, THE BUDGET PRESS.
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APPROPRIATIONS

For the Year ending January 31, 1895.

Schools,	$8,500	
Highways,	2,000	
Sidewalks,	300	
Poor,	1,800	
Street Lights,	700	
Miscellaneous,	600	
Fire Department,	1,500	
Town Officers,	1,450	
Debt,	1,800	
Interest on Town Debt,	1,000	
Discount on Taxes,	900	
Public Library,	500	
Memorial Day,	75	
Enforcing Liquor Law,	100	
		$21,225

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

I. B. BOLTON, R. S. BAILEY,
J. T. LOCKE.

CLERK.

BAILEY SARGENT.

TREASURER.

D. J. POORE.

COLLECTOR.

W. C. RUSSELL.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

R. H. SARGENT.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

WILLIAM A. HOWE, F. F. PHILBRICK,
BAILEY SARGENT, JOHN S. CLEMENT.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

T. H. HOYT,	Term expires March 1895.
BION GREEN,	" " " 1896.
FRANK E. PEASE,	" " " 1897.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

S. A. McCONNELL,	Term expires March 1895.
N. P. CUMMINGS,	" " " 1895.
D. J. POORE,	" " " 1896.
JAMES F. PEASE,	" " " 1896.
J. A. LANCASTER,	" " " 1897.
F. O. DAVIS,	" " " 1897.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ALBERT PARKER, FRANK E. WALKER,
L. J. O'CONNOR.

COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND.

GEORGE W. DAVIS,	Term expires March 1895.
I. B. LITTLE,	" " " 1896.
JAMES D. PIKE,	" " " 1897.

TRUSTEES OF LOCUST GROVE CEMETERY.

J. A. LANCASTER,	Term expires March 1895.
I. B. LITTLE,	" " " 1896.
C. E. ROWELL,	" " " 1897.

FOREST FIRE WARDS.

WILLARD B. KELLY, WALTER H. SARGENT.

POLICE.

J. FRED IVES, Chief, THOMAS PARKIN,
ALEX. HANNA, JOHN W. HUGHES.

AUDITOR.

MILFORD EDWARDS.

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER AND MEASURER OF BARK AND WOOD.

JOHN E. CURRIER.

FENCE VIEWERS.

CALVIN B. ROBINSON, WALTER H. SARGENT.

FIELD DRIVER.

HOWARD W. NOWELL.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Merrimac, Mass., February 11, 1895.

We herewith respectfully present to the Citizens of Merrimac the nineteenth annual report.

I. B. BOLTON,
R. S. BAILEY,
J. T. LOCKE,
} Selectmen of Merrimac.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

TEACHERS.

Daniel G. Abbott, principal High school,	$ 1,000 00	
Elvira Morrill, assistant "	250 00	
L. Frances Tucker, " "	250 00	
Ellen Gunnison, Center First Grammar,	217 50	
Alice E. Chase, " "	225 50	
Jennie P. Clement, Center Second Grammar,	360 00	
Nellie Pearson, Center Intermediate,	320 00	
Sadie I. Baird, "	40 00	
Etta H. Colby, Center Primary,	360 00	
Carrie M. Evans, Middle Street Grammar,	405 00	
Louise C. Brackett, " Primary,	360 00	
Emma Pearson, Prospect Street Intermediate,	360 00	
Bertha M. Boultenhouse, Prospect Street Primary,	360 00	
Ida M. Blaisdell, Port Grammar,	405 00	
Mary Head, Port Primary,	360 00	
Lillia M. Phelps, Bear Hill,	360 00	
Nellie Adams, Birch Meadow,	52 50	
Annie R. Hunter, "	202 50	
Annie M. Gray, Highlands,	210 00	
Lizzie B. Smith, Music,	135 00	
		$ 6,232 50

JANITORS.

Herbert Scofield, Center building,	$ 66 63	
Harry Johnson, "	16 63	
Walter Gassett, "	28 88	
Harry Carroll, "	81 38	
Thomas Tewhill, Plains building,	72 00	
Isaac Heald, Merrimacport building,	72 00	
Nellie E. Adams, Birch Meadow,	4 10	
Annie R. Hunter, "	11 40	
Annie M. Gray, Highlands,	13 00	
E. C. Sherman, Middle Street,	150 00	
Christopher Sargent, Bear Hill,	42 50	
		$ 558 52

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

D. C. Heath,	$ 33 14
Boston School Supply Co.,	52 10
George S. Perry & Co.,	216 06
Ginn & Co.,	70 20
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	39 38
J. L. Hammett,	45 99
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	43 30
Prang Educational Co..	29 76
American Book Co.,	19 20
S. A. McConnell,	11 73
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	38 34
Lothrop Publishing Co.,	4 00
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn,	2 50
Lee & Shepard,	4 68
Cleveland Printing Co.,	6 50
A. H. Nichols,	8 84
Goodwin & Kendrick,	1 90
B. M. Boultenhouse,	2 37
F. G. Holbrook,	5 50
Thorp & Martin,	4 50
J. E. Potter,	2 09
MacMillian & Co.,	2 25
George F. King & Merrill,	3 00
F. Murdock,	50
H. W. Stone,	90

C. E. Rowell,	$ 1 95	
J. H. Cleary,	6 68	
		$ 657 36

FUEL.

Atkinson Coal Co., coal,	$ 350 18	
L. E. Bancroft, wood,	31 12	
Wood Bros., wood,	16 00	
Calvin Sargent, wood,	30	
		$ 397 60

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

J. E. Currier, stock,	$ 86 37	
J. C. Libby, labor and stock,	43 36	
Edw. Perkins,	4 80	
Heath Bros., labor and stock,	71 27	
W. W. Lydston,	9 59	
		$ 215 39

INCIDENTAL REPAIRS.

J. Fred Ives, labor,	$ 1 25	
Isaac W. Heald, labor,	2 00	
C. P. Baker, labor,	3 40	
Herbert Scofield, labor on flag-staff,	2 75	
H. G. Hudson, repairing clocks, etc.,	7 50	
W. H. Scott, stock and labor,	8 00	
F. H. G. Chase,	13 00	
J. E. Muldoon, repairing stoves,	18 65	
C. A. Stevens, labor,	12 00	
Thos. Tewhill, labor,	10 00	
Thos. Barry, labor,	3 00	
Wm. Jones, painting blackboards,	1 00	
Wm. Jones, stock and labor,	9 82	
C. W. Miles, stock and labor,	9 89	
C. A. Stevens, labor,	4 00	
H. G. Hudson, repairing clock,	75	
W. B. Chapman, stock and labor,	5 57	
Heath Bros., stock and labor,	3 37	
J. C. Libby,	2 05	
N. L. Howe, repairs on pump,	2 50	
		$ 120 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Porter Wadleigh, services at Prospect St. school,	$ 6 00	
Robert Carr, cleaning and blacking stoves,	5 50	
American Express Co., expressage,	85	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	2 46	
Mrs. Pettigrew, cleaning Middle Street house,	6 00	
Mrs. Martin Barry, cleaning Center rooms,	27 70	
Mrs. Isaac Heald, " Port rooms,	11 00	
Isaac Heald, " "	1 00	
Mrs. H. E. Baxter, " "	10 00	
S. S. Martin, " Bear Hill room,	3 00	
T. H. Hoyt, traveling expenses, expressage, etc.,	17 48	
T. H. Hoyt, tuning piano and organ,	6 00	
J. E. Currier,	22 95	
Little's Express, expressage,	14 60	
C. J. Bagley,	8 00	
		$ 142 54
Total,		$ 8,324 41
Unexpended,		605 94
		$ 8,930 35

General Appropriation,	$ 8,000 00	
Dog Tax,	181 76	
School Fund,	245 09	
Tuition and supplies,	3 50	
Repairs,	500 00	
		$ 8,930 35

OVERSEERS' DEPARTMENT.

Support of Mrs. Allison and Daughter.		
Otis S. Currier, board,	$ 150 00	
C. A. Bridges, shoes,	2 00	
		$ 152 00
Support of H. Doton.		
Abbie J. Doton, board,	86 50	
W. Emerson, clothes,	3 50	
T. Collins, care,	18 75	
F. L. Parker,	25	
F. E. Sweetsir, attendance,	10 00	
J. B. Heath, "	24 10	
		143 10
Support of Alice R. Gray.		
L. J. Lewis, board,	102 00	
H. J. Cushing, attendance,	3 00	
		105 00
Support of L. O. Gray.		
Calvin Sargent, board,	96 00	
		96 00
Support of L. S. Sargent.		
Moses Bailey, board,	39 00	
C. A. Bridges, shoes,	1 50	
W. Emerson, clothes,	2 00	
		42 50
Support of A. J. Heath.		
Julia B. Heath, board,	144 00	
		144 00
Aid of E. O. Tozier.		
Atkinson Coal Co.,	6 75	
Preble Bros.,	2 32	
		9 07
Aid of M. Burke.		
Atkinson Coal Co.,	24 00	
J. H. Cleary, supplies,	81 00	
		105 00

Aid of Levi Crockett.		
H. J. Cushing, medical attendance,	$ 17 50	
F. L. Parker,	6 80	
		$ 24 30
Aid of Daniel Currier.		
Wm. Jones, glazing,	1 97	
H. J. Cushing, medical attendance,	13 75	
F. E. Sweetsir, "	10 00	
		25 72
Aid of G. Jenkins.		
Preble Bros., supplies,	5 14	
Little & Co., "	1 00	
C. A. Bridges, "	2 50	
		8 64
Aid of Ann M. Waning.		
A. P. Chaples, board,	104 00	
		104 00
Aid of Lydia Goodwin.		
Atkinson Coal Co., coal,	5 50	
		5 50
Aid of Mrs. Clooney and Child.		
W. Emerson, clothes,	3 50	
Collins the Clothier,	2 50	
C. A. Bridges, shoes,	2 00	
		8 00
Aid of Joubert Children.		
Little & Co., supplies,	50	
		50
Aid of Daniel Murphy.		
Atkinson Coal Co.,	3 50	
		3 50
Aid of Wm. Davis.		
Atkinson Coal Co.,	65	
		6 65
Soldiers' Relief. Chap. 147, Acts of 1890.		
Aid of Isaac Whittier, (now under guardianship).		
Town of Rowley,	186 62	
Wm. Hammond, care,	14 00	
M. Perry Sargent, on case,	20 00	
J. A. Marshall, guardian,	12 20	
S. A. McConnell, telegram,	47	
		233 29

Aid of Henry W. Clay.		
John McNannie, rent,	$ 2 00	
		$ 2 00
H. J. Cushing, vaccinating,	6 50	
Wood Bros., teaming,	5 00	
J. S. Evans, boots and shoes,	2 75	
		14 25
City of Newburyport.		
Support of Mrs. Ballal,	52 00	
		52 00
Danvers Hospital.		
Adelade Lawson,	169 47	
Michael Riley,	169 47	
Homer Labrie,	169 47	
Mrs. O'Callahan,	169 47	
		677 88
Police Station.		
Atkinson Coal Co.,	6 50	
Wood Bros., wood,	1 00	
		7 50
		$ 1,970 40

Appropriation,	$ 1,800 00	
Received from State, L. Pettengell,	34 25	
Due " B. Behill,	115 60	
" " M. Jubert,	6 62	
Overdrawn,	13 93	
		$ 1,970 40

TOWN OFFICERS.

I. B. Bolton, chairman selectmen,	$ 215 00
R. S. Bailey, selectman,	125 00
J. T. Locke, selectman,	125 00
J. Fred Ives, police officer, chief,	161 00
C. A. Bridges, police officer,	7 80

Alex. Hanna, police officer,	$ 30 00	
Bailey Sargent, clerk, and registrar of voters,	80 00	
D. J. Poore, treasurer, and treas. sinking fund,	80 00	
W. C. Russell, collector of taxes,	300 00	
John S. Clement, registrar of voters,	20 00	
F. F. Philbrick, registrar of voters,	20 00	
W. A. Howe, registrar of voters.	20 00	
T. H. Hoyt, school committee,	55 00	
Bion Green school committee,	50 00	
F. E. Pease, school committee,	50 00	
W. B. Sargent, auditor,	15 00	
Joseph W. Colby, inspector of cattle,	7 50	
H. W. Haskell, ballot clerk, March meeting,	3 00	
John J. Woodman, teller, March,	3 00	
A. Wesley Colby, teller, March,	3 00	
C. A. Wallace, teller, March,	3 00	
H. W. Haskell, ballot clerk, November 6,	3 00	
Ernest Scofield, ballot clerk, March,	3 00	
F. O. Davis, ballot clerk, March and November,	6 00	
A. W. Colby,	3 00	
L. Y. Stevens, teller, November 6,	3 00	
R. J. Eaton, teller, November 6,	3 00	
J. J. Woodman, moderator, 1893,	2 50	
Albert Parker, election officer,	3 00	
T. Parkin, janitor of town hall,	11 00	
M. P. Sargent, moderator,	5 00	
		$ 1,415 80
Unexpended,		34 20
		$ 1,450 00
Appropriation,		$ 1,450 00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

BILL OF APRIL 30, 1894.

Wood Bros., team 99 hours at .40 per hour,	$ 39 60	
William H. Blodgett, 89 hours at .40 per hour,	35 60	
R. H. Sargent, 89 hours at .40 per hour,	35 60	
R. H. Sargent, single team, 95 hours at .10 per hour,	9 50	
W. H. Emerson, team 60 hours at .40 per hour.	24 00	
W. H. Emerson, single team, 20 hours at .10 per hour,	2 00	
J. T. Crosby, team 60 hours at .40 per hour,	24 00	
S. Connor, team 30 hours at .40 per hour,	12 00	
J. H. Hartt, team 30 hours at .40 per hour,	12 00	
M. Barry, 104 hours at .20 per hour,	20 80	
M. Traverse, 109 hours at .20 per hour,	21 80	
M. Greeley, 130 1-2 hours at .20 per hour,	26 10	
M. W. Sargent, 75 hours at .20 per hour,	15 00	
M. Connor, 40 hours at .20 per hour,	8 00	
P. Brady, 45 hours at .20 per hour,	9 00	
J. Sheridan, 13 hours at .20 per hour,	2 60	
J. McLeod, 15 hours at .20 per hour,	3 00	
R. H. Sargent, 110 hours at .25 per hour,	27 50	
W. W. Lydston, repairs on pipe,	2 00	
R. H. Sargent, 94 hours at .25 per hour,	23 50	
J. Sheridan, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
R. Berran, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
J. Curley, 21 hours at .20 per hour,	4 20	
F. Parker, 4 hours at .20 per hour,	80	
R. Evans, 4 hours at .20 per hour,	80	
R. H. Sargent, team 20 hours at .40 per hour,	8 00	
R. H. Sargent, single team 3 1-2 days, .10 per hour,	3 50	
		$ 378 90

BILL OF MAY 31, 1894.

M. Barry, 200 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 40 00
M. Traverse, 128 hours at .20 per hour,	25 60
D. Morrison, 49 hours at .20 per hour,	9 80

B. Farrington, 23 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 4 60	
George W. Hoyt, 2 hours at .20 per hour,	40	
M. W. Sargent, 45 hours at .20 per hour,	9 00	
M. Connor, 10 hours at .20 per hour,	2 00	
R. H. Sargent, 195 hours at .25 per hour,	48 75	
Wood Bros., team 80 hours at .40 per hour,	32 00	
W. H. Blodgett, team 67 hours at .40 per hour,	26 80	
Geo. W. Hoyt, team 50 hours at .40 per hour,	20 00	
I. M. Gould, team 40 hours at .40 per hour,	16 00	
H. O. Walker, 10 hours at .20 per hour,	2 00	
R. H. Sargent, team 45 hours at .40 per hour,	18 00	
R. H. Sargent, single team 17 1-2 days, $1 per day,	17 50	
		$ 272 45

BILL OF JUNE 30, 1894.

M. Barry, 160 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 32 00	
M. Traverse, 100 hours at .20 per hour,	20 00	
M. W. Sargent, 130 hours at .20 per hour,	26 00	
B. Farrington, 10 hours at .20 per hour,	2 00	
M. Connor, 39 hours at .20 per hour,	7 80	
D. Morrison, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
I. Tilton, 38 hours at .20 per hour,	7 60	
R. H. Sargent, 155 hours at .25 per hour,	38 75	
W. H. Blodgett, 20 hours at .25 per hour,	5 00	
Geo. W. Hoyt, team 20 hours at .40 per hour,	8 00	
I. M. Gould, team 20 hours at .40 per hour,	8 00	
J. T. Crosby, team 20 hours at .40 per hour,	8 00	
Wood Bros., team 35 hours at .40 per hour,	14 00	
W. H. Blodgett, team 93 hours at .40 per hour,	37 20	
W. H. Emerson, team 75 hours at .40 per hour,	30 00	
R. H. Sargent, team 30 hours at .40 per hour,	12 00	
		$ 260 35

BILL OF AUGUST 31, 1894.

M. Barry, 128 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 25 60
J. Curley, 110 hours at .20 per hour,	22 00
M. Traverse, 53 1-2 hours at .20 per hour,	10 70
M. W. Sargent, 60 hours at .20 per hour,	12 00
T. Grant, 65 hours at .20 per hour,	13 00
L. Crofut, 60 hours at .20 per hour,	12 00
Tilton, 60 hours at .20 per hour,	12 00

R. Berran, 10 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 2 00	
J. L. Blaisdell, 56 hours at .20 per hour,	11 20	
J. L. Blaisdell, horse 16 hours at .10 per hour,	1 60	
L. B. Blaisdell, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
L. B. Blaisdell, horse 22 hours at .10 per hour,	2 20	
S. Blaisdell, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
D. Morrison, 31 hours work at .20 per hour,	6 20	
Stevens Bros., 203 hours at .20 per hour,	40 60	
R. H. Sargent, 145 hours work at .25 per hour,	36 25	
R. H. Sargent, single team 80 hours at .10 per hour,	8 00	
J. Muldoon, labor and stock,	1 25	
W. H. Blodgett, teams 78 hours at .40 per hour,	31 20	
Wood Bros., teams 65 hours at .40 per hour,	26 00	
J. H. Hartt, team 60 hours at .40 per hour,	24 00	
W. H. Emerson, team 60 hours at .40 per hour,	24 00	
R. H. Sargent, team 20 hours at .40 per hour,	8 00	
		$ 337 80

BILL OF SEPTEMBER 29, 1894.

R. Berran, 33 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 6 60	
T. Grant, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
L. B. Crofut, 60 hours at .20 per hour,	12 00	
M. Traverse, 55 hours at .20 per hour.	11 00	
J. H. Foster, 86 hours at .20 per hour,	17 20	
J. Jenkins, cutting brush,	10 00	
R. H. Sargent, 75 hours at .25 per hour,	18 75	
W. H. Emerson, team 65 hours at .40 per hour,	26 00	
W. H. Blodgett, team 40 hours at .40 per hour,	16 00	
Wood Bros., team 75 hours at .40 per hour,	30 00	
J. H. Foster, team 20 1-2 hours at .10 per hour,	2 05	
R. H. Sargent, team 60 hours at .10 per hour,	6 00	
		$ 159 60

BILL OF OCTOBER 31, 1894.

L. B. Crofut, 55 hours at .20 per hour,	$ 11 00
R. Berran, 55 1-2 hours at .20 per hour,	11 10
S. Blaisdell, 87 3-4 hours at .20 per hour,	17 55
R. Evans, 53 hours at .20 per hour,	10 60
M. Traverse, 29 hours at .20 per hour,	5 80
F. Williams, 38 hours at .20 per hour,	7 60
L. B. Blaisdell, 55 3-4 hours at .20 per hour,	11 15

L. B. Blaisdell, single team 56 hours .10 per hour,	$ 5 60	
R. H. Sargent, 210 hours at .25 per hour,	52 50	
R. H. Sargent, single team 210 hours at .10 per hour,	21 00	
R. H. Sargent, team 38 1-4 hours at .40 per hour,	15 30	
W. H. Blodgett, team 8 hours at .40 per hour,	3 20	
Wood Bros., single team 5 hours at .10 per hour,	50	
		$ 172 90

BILLS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1894.

R. H. Sargent, 33 hours at .25 per hour,	$ 8 25	
R. H. Sargent, team 23 hours at .40 per hour,	9 20	
E. S. McKay, cutting bushes, 40 hours at .20,	8 00	
I. M. Gould, cutting bushes, 4 hours at .20 per hour,	80	
R. H. Sargent, 35 hours at .25 per hour,	8 75	
R. H. Sargent, team 35 hours at .10 per hour,	3 50	
R. H. Sargent, labor, 20 hours at .20 per hour,	4 00	
		$ 42 50
		$ 1,624 50
Snow Bills,		488 63
		$ 2,113 13
Miscellaneous,		548 90
		$ 2,662 03
Appropriation,	$ 2,000 00	
Repairs on sidewalks,	400 00	
Overdraft,	262 03	
		$ 2,662 03

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS FOR HIGHWAYS.

Hanscom Bros., plow,	$ 11 00
Haverhill Iron Works, grates,	40 50
Joseph Cherry,	3 85
J. E. Currier,	179 87
D. E. Wadleigh,	11 15
Thos. Lahey, edgestones,	24 72
A. H. Saltmaster,	44 75
American Express Co.,	1 70
R. H. Sargent, labor,	6 35

T. L. Goodwin, gravel,	18 24	
J. A. Lancaster, brick,	2 40	
W. B. Chapman, stock and labor,	141 88	
Edw. W. Morse, gravel,	13 70	
Carlisle & Sanborn, plank,	20 40	
H., M. & A. St. R. R. Co.,	6 50	
J. C. Libby, labor and stock,	2 95	
Frank Mitchell, sharpening tools,	5 50	
Benj. Battis,	5 20	
L. Bancroft, labor,	1 60	
Moses Sargent, sand,	6 64	
		$ 548 90

SNOW BILLS.

BILL OF R. H. SARGENT.

I. M. Gould, labor and team,	$ 13 80
P. Gowing,	3 60
H. B. Farrington,	1 60
H. O. Walker,	5 90
Geo. W. Hoyt, team,	11 95
Ira Davis,	40
W. B. Kelley,	2 90
Calvin Sargent,	35
T. M. Sargent,	35
Wood Bros., two teams and men,	19 60
R. H. Sargent, teams six days,	23 95
R. H. Sargent, oversight six days,	21 25
T. Grant,	5 50
P. Wadleigh,	2 80
Geo. Traverse,	1 00
M. Conner,	2 00
T. Keough,	1 00
J. Connell,	2 00
Wm. Merrill,	1 00
J. Sheridan,	1 00

E. Scofield,	1 00
M. Traverse,	1 00
Geo. Jenkins,	2 40
T. Tewhill,	1 00
R. Berran,	1 00
J. J. Woodman,	2 00
M. W. Sargent,	1 70
J. H. Thornell,	1 70
L. Crofut,	1 30
F. Thurlow,	2 30
F. Jenkins,	2 00
W. J. Murphy,	3 30
T. Collins,	2 30
J. J. Hart,	2 50
M. Barry,	1 30
F. Bailey,	1 00
R. Evans,	1 00
S. Whittier,	1 00
W. Colby,	1 00
M. Blaisdell,	1 00
F. Chase,	1 60
C. Tibbetts,	1 00
N. Thompson,	2 00
H. Gilday,	2 00
Williams,	80
J. Cahill,	1 20
J. Morrison,	3 00
Wm. Bradley,	3 50
W. N. Goldsmith,	3 40
Redmond,	1 30
J. Curley,	2 80
M. Doyle,	2 20
L. Y. Stevens,	1 20
J. H. Hartt,	1 20
J. H. Hartt, team,	9 63
Wm. H. Blodgett,	6 00
S. H. Connor, team three days,	24 70
L. B. Blaisdell, teams,	21 20
S. C. Blaisdell,	5 80
L. B. Blaisdell,	11 00

J. H. Hartt, with team,	10 20
I. M. Gould, "	7 60
H. O. Walker, "	4 40
Wood Bros., two teams,	6 40
J. T. Crosby, "	3 50
J. L. Blaisdell,	5 00
R. H. Sargent,	21 60
W. H. Emerson, team,	8 60
S. C. Blaisdell,	5 50
M. J. Blaisdell,	80
T. Collins,	2 50
E. Tibbetts,	2 10
J. Currier,	60
D. Morrison,	2 70
F. Mason,	60
J. Cahill,	2 30
F. H. G. Chase,	60
H. F. Evans,	70
L. Goddard,	2 40
J. Addison,	1 80
M. W. Sargent,	4 40
J. Sheridan,	1 50
C. Miles,	70
J. H. Hartt, team,	6 40
R. H. Sargent,	38 50
R. H. Sargent, team,	2 00
J. Crosby,	13 20
M. Traverse,	1 40
F. Thurlow,	1 60
W. H. Goldsmith,	2 00
Geo. W. Sargent,	1 35
L. B. Blaisdell,	4 20
L. B. Blaisdell, team,	10 20
W. H. Blodgett, "	9 60
S. Connor,	4 80
J. E. Currier,	2 80
L. Goddard,	80
J. Doherty,	20
J. L. Eton,	2 80
J. H. Cleary, broom,	50

R. H. Sargent, sundries,	6 40	
Chas. Stevens,	5 60	
J. Foster,	1 00	
G. S. Heath,	5 70	
Wm. Thompson,	1 20	
T. Collins,	2 00	
F. H. G. Chase,	1 20	
B. Webster,	1 70	
J. Chaff,	1 20	
R. H. Sargent,	4 50	
		$ 488 63

STREET LIGHTS.

W. W. Lyons, care of lights,	$ 72 90	
E. S. McKay, " "	293 70	
Ernest Haskell, " "	10 40	
Nora Greeley, " "	4 20	
A. J. Pettingill, " "	5 00	
Peter Gray, supplies,	16 75	
C. E. Rowell, "	3 93	
J. H. Cleary, "	218 01	
Preble Bros., "	2 20	
W. C. Russell, express,	1 60	
		$ 628 69
Unexpended,		71 31
		$ 700 00
Appropriation,		$ 700 00

SIDEWALKS.

Thos. Lahey, edgestones,	$ 24 72	
A. H. Saltmarsh, concreting,	44 75	
R. H. Sargent, general repairs,	330 53	
		$ 400 00
Appropriation,	$ 300 00	
Rec'd of S. C. Pease,	82 77	
" Wm. Jones,	6 40	
Overdrawn,	10 83	
		$ 400 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Albert Parker, chief engineer,	$ 47 50
F. E. Walker, assistant engineer,	25 00
L. J. O'Connor, "	25 00
T. W. Keough, steward,	10 00
Steamer company,	212 19
Hook & Ladder company,	107 45
Niagara company,	192 80
J. A. Heath, engineer of steamer,	90 00
N. F. Stevens, assistant engineer,	25 00
F. B. Clement, stoker,	25 00
General McClellan company,	348 33
J. H. Hughes, steward of Gen. McClellan,	42 00
Chas. N. Carter, care of engine house,	24 00
Atkinson Coal Company,	139 92
Wood Bros.,	7 00
Goodwin & Kendrick, supplies at Port,	6 59
" " " central station,	16 45

J. H. Murphy, supplies,	3 60	
S. A. McConnell,	70	
C. J. Bagley, repairs,	1 48	
C. E. Rowell, supplies at Port,	8 74	
Heath Bros., repairs,	1 42	
J. C. Libby, supplies and repairs,	3 00	
J. H. Cleary, supplies,	25 75	
Combination Ladder Co., 2 axes,	3 00	
Frank Winn, storing fire apparatus,	6 00	
C. H. Richardson, fire alarm,	2 00	
L. Griffin, supplies and fire alarm,	52 93	
L. D. Goddard, hauling engine,	1 50	
C. O. Libby,	3 50	
American Express Co.,	35	
W. H. Blodgett, use of horses,	69 00	
F. W. Betts,	3 00	
Chas. Carter, care of engine house,	12 00	
		$ 1542 20
Unexpended,		117 80
		$ 1660 00
Appropriation,	$ 1500 00	
Sale of Niagara engine,	150 00	
Rec'd of J. B. Judkins & Sons Co., fire alarm,	10 00	
		$ 1660 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid D. J. Poore, treasurer,	$ 500 00
Appropriation,	$ 500 00

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

J. C. Libby, putting up booths and repairs,	$ 48 71
F. G. Holbrook, printing town reports and town printing for the year,	206 00
Mrs. E. W. Smart, postage,	17 25
Berry, Beale & Co., bill file,	1 40
Wakefield Rattan Co., waste basket,	1 00
Mrs. L. F. Green, taking school census,	10 00
Bailey Sargent, Insurance Sargent Hall and town library and school houses,	381 95
Bailey Sargent, recording births,	35 25
Thos. Groom, pens and record book,	2 25
Atkinson Coal Co., coal for Hall and station,	49 26
Thos. Parkin, charcoal,	3 60
Henry McKrut, blanks,	9 06
W. W. Lydston, supplies,	14 28
George Bros. & Story, supplies,	2 85
J. H. Cleary, supplies,	22 07
Ink from state,	1 25
Lucy B. Bailey, returning births,	75
I. B. Bolton, returning births,	4 25
H. J. Cushing, returning births,	3 50
L. A. Woodbury, returning births,	25
Edw. P. Sargent, repairs on water troughs,	3 00
C. H. Hughes, care and repairs on water troughs,	6 50
Chas. A. Stevens, mowing cemetery,	9 00
R. S. Bailey, expenses,	3 00
Wm. Jones, repairs on Sargent Hall,	2 90
James Whittier, damages,	4 00
James McConnell, refreshments,	2 50
Wm. B. Kelley, at brush fires,	3 50
J. B. Heath & Son, returning deaths, 1893-94,	16 75
Heath Bros., repairs on office,	2 17
T. Parkin, care of clocks and town office,	85 25

T. H. Hoyt, legal services,	5 00	
N. L. Howe, repairs,	35	
J. L. Blaisdell, on tomb,	4 31	
W. C. Russell, express,	2 75	$ 965 91
G. A. R. Post 114, memorial appropriation,		75 00
		$ 1,040 91

Appropriation,	$ 600 00	
Enforcing liquor law,	100 00	
Memorial day,	75 00	
Overdrawn,	265 91	$ 1040 91

Recapitulation.

Department.	Appropriation.	Rec'd other Sources.	Expended.	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Schools,	$ 8,500 00	Dog Tax, $ 181 76	$ 8,324 41	$ 605 94	
		Sch. Fund, 245 09			
		Tuition, Sup. 3 50			
Overseers,	1,800 00	State, 34 25	1,970 40		$ 136 15
Town Officers	1,450 00		1,415 80	34 20	
Highways,	2,000 00		2,262 03		262 03
Sidewalks,	300 00	S. C. Pease, 82 77	400 00		10 83
		Wm. Jones, 6 40			
Street Lights,	700 00		628 69	71 31	
Fire Dept.,	1,500 00	Judkins, box, 10 00	1,542 20	117 80	
		Niagara, 150 00			
Library,	500 00		500 00		
Miscellaneous	600 00		965 91		365 91
Total,	$ 17,350 00	$ 713 77	$ 18,009 44	$ 829 25	$ 774 92

NOTE AND INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Paid Merrimac Savings Bank notes for temporary loans,		
Note of Nov. 28, 1893,	$ 2,500 00	
" March 27, 1894,	1,500 00	
" May 1, 1894,	3,000 00	
" June 5, 1894,	1,000 00	
Paid First National Bank of Merrimac,		
Note of June 25, 1894,	2,000 00	
Paid Thos. E. Proctor, Trustee,		
Note of Sept. 1, 1884,	4,500 00	
Paid Merrimac Savings Bank,		
Note of Jan. 1, 1885,	3,650 00	
		$ 18,150 00

Interest paid Merrimac Savings Bank,		
Note of Nov. 28, 1893,	$ 79 05	
" March 27, 1894,	24 83	
" May 1, 1894,	38 33	
" June 5, 1894,	9 44	
" Jan. 1, 1885,	199 61	
First National Bank, June 25, 1894,	12 44	
T. E. Proctor, Trustee, Sept 1, 1884,	180 00	
State Treasurer, June 9, 1885,	252 00	
" Dec. 26, 1885,	280 00	
		$ 1,075 70

STATISTICS FROM VALUATION BOOK.

	1893.	1894.
Valuation of Real Estate,	$ 971,520 00	$ 987,262 00
" Personal Property,	291,237 00	254,172 85
" Resident Bank Stock,	67,665 00	69,790 00
" Non-Resident Bank Stock,	62,335 00	72,210 00
Number of persons assessed on property	591	602
" " for poll tax only,	427	401
" of Polls,	774	649
" acres of land,	4,935.5	4,936.5
" dwelling houses,	517	598
" horses,	269	257
" cows,	233	239
" sheep,	5	5
" swine,	28	63
" neat cattle other than cows,	57	49
Total tax assessed,	$ 26,827.018	$ 24,099 85
Rate of taxation per $1,000,	19 00	17 50
County tax,	1,511 58	1,511 45
State tax,	1,650 00	1,320 00

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.

Sargent Hall,	$ 20,000 00	
School Houses,	24,000 00	
Public Library,	2,700 00	
Fire Apparatus,	11,300 00	
Cemeteries,	2,800 00	
Town Landing,	300 00	
Gravel Pit,	25 00	
Town Pound.	50 00	
Town Standards,	150 00	
Law Reports,	360 00	
Street Lights,	275 00	
Road Machine,	175 00	
		$ 62,135 00

State and Military Aid.

STATE AID.

For twelve months ending February 1, 1895.

George F. Bailey,	$ 36 00	
John Doherty,	27 00	
Margaret Handley,	48 00	
Mary A. Hughes,	48 00	
John Jenkins,	60 00	
Rebecca Kennett,	48 00	
Stephen D. Kennett,	48 00	
Lydia A. Kennett,	48 00	
Wm. F. Martins,	60 00	
Adeline Noyes,	28 00	
Ellen Roe,	30 00	
Bryant Sheys,	42 00	
Pluma A. Sheys,	18 00	
Mary Whalen,	48 00	
		$ 589 00

MILITARY AID.

For twelve months ending February 1, 1895.

Daniel W. Currier,	$ 55 00	
Lyman S. Sargent,	144 00	
		$ 199 00

Locust Grove Cemetery.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

For the year March 1, 1895.

1894.	DR.		
Jan. 6.	To balance on hand as per report,	$ 36 21	
	Deposit in savings bank,	500 00	
	Interest in " "	15 10	
	Cash from sale of lots,	100 00	
			$ 651 31

1894.	CR.		
April 23.	By cash paid J. C. Thurlow,	$ 25 00	
	John Curley,	38 00	
	" "	14 00	
1895.			
Feb. 12.	Deposit and interest in Savings Bank,	$ 515 10	
	Deposit in National Bank,	59 21	
			$ 651 31

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LANCASTER,
I. B. LITTLE,
C. E. ROWELL,
} Trustees.

Merrimac, Feb. 12, 1895.

Police Report.

Merrimac, Mass., February 1, 1895.

Whole number of arrests for year ending February 1, 1895, is 16 as follows:

Drunkenness,	2
Disturbance,	1
Assault,	3
Non-support,	1
Murder,	3
Gambling,	6
Number lodgers,	322

J. FRED IVES, Chief of Police.

Sargent Hall.

Merrimac, Mass., January 15, 1895.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen—From January 15, 1894, to January 15, 1895, Sargent Hall been opened 29 times.

Received for rent of hall,	$ 131 50
Paid Town Treasurer,	131 50

Yours respecfully,

THOMAS PARKIN, Janitor.

Jury List.

Prepared by the Selectmen to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting, March 4, 1895.

Richard S. Bailey,
Frank E. Bartlett,
Charles A. Bridges,
Eben W. Bailey,
John L. Blaisdell,
Joseph W. Colby,
William M. Chase,
Alvah M. Colby,
D. Warren Gould,
True Hoyt,
Willard B. Kelly,
Heman W. Kelly,
Joseph W. Nichols,
Joseph Oak,
Charles E. Nichols,
Frank E. Pease.

Thomas W. Sheridan,
Charles N. Sargent,
Homer R. Sargent,
Ralph H. Sargent,
Charles W. Sawyer,
Austin W. Sawyer,
Lorenzo Y. Stevens,
Thomas Stoyle,
Wm. F. Martins,
Nathan Huntington,
Lorenzo B. Blaisdell,
George A. Grant,
Charles L. Waterhouse,
Gilbert G. Davis,
Roswell J. Eaton,
Melvin S. Gibbs.

Town Clerk's Report.

BIRTHS.

Number of births returned,		48
Males,	28	
Females,	20	
Fathers, native born,	33	
" foreign "	15	
Mothers native "	37	
" foreign "	11	
Father and Mother both native born,	31	
" " " " foreign "	8	

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages recorded,		23
First marriage of groom and bride,	19	
Second " " "	2	
Second " " bride.	2	
Grooms native born,	18	
" foreign "	5	
Brides native born,	20	
" foreign "	3	
Average age of groom,	27 years, 1 month.	
" " bride,	25 years.	

DEATHS.

Number of deaths,		35
Males,	14	
Females,	21	
Average age,	49 years, 21 days.	
Oldest person,	86 years, 7 months, 1 day.	
Under 5 years,	6	
Males native born,	13	
" foreign "	1	
Females native born,	19	
" foreign "	2	
Of native parentage,	28	
foreign "	4	
mixed "	3	

DOGS.

Number or dogs licensed,			108
Males,	98	Females,	10

BAILEY SARGENT, Town Clerk.

Financial Statement.

LIABILITIES.

Note of June 9, 1885, on account of rebuilding Essex Merrimac Bridge, interest 4 per cent.,	$ 6,300 00	
Note of Dec. 26, 1885, to refund Town of Amesbury notes, interest 3 1-2 per cent.,	8,000 00	
Accrued interest,	79 62	
Balance of note of Nov. 20, 1894,	1,000 00	
Outstanding bills estimated,	125 00	
		$ 15,504 62

ASSETS.

Due from State Aid,	$ 844 00	
State, Cities and Towns on account of poor,	122 22	
Heirs of William Rowell, sidewalk account,	36 43	
Sinking Fund,	12,188 57	
Uncollected taxes,	1,734 45	
Cash on hand,	549 64	
		$ 15,475 31
Net Town debt,		29 31
" 1894,		3,586 46
Decrease of debt the past year,		3,557 15

TREASURER'S REPORT.

D. J. Poore, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Merrimac.

		DR.	
1894.			
Mar.	6.	To balance,	$ 1,021 85
	16.	" Corporation Tax,	1 43
	28.	" Loan, Merrimac Savings Bank,	1,500 00
May	3.	" " "	3,000 00
June	7.	" G. W. Cate, court fees,	49 64
	7.	" Loan, Merrimac Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	15.	" First National Bank, rent,	68 75
July	3.	" Loan, First National Bank,	2,000 00
	11.	" S. C. Pease, sidewalk,	82 77
Aug.	13.	" License, circus,	2 00
Sept.	15.	" Sinking Fund Commissioners,	4,500 00
Nov.	26.	" Loan, Merrimac Savings Bank,	2,000 00
	26.	" W. Jones, sidewalk,	6 40
	28.	" Niagara Engine,	150 00
	28.	" Board of Engineers,	10 00
Dec.	15.	" First National Bank, rent,	137 50
1895.			
Jan.	2.	" Geo. W. Cate, court fees,	16
	16.	" County treasurer, dog tax,	181 76
	26.	" Massachusetts school fund,	245 09
	31.	" Bailey Sargent, rent,	29 17
Feb.	1.	" School committee,	3 50
	9.	" " "	3 67
	12.	" First National Bank, rent,	68 75
		" Sinking Fund Commissioners,	3,650 00
		" W. C. Russell, taxes,	24,208 26
		" Thos. Parkin, Sargent hall,	131 50

To State Treasurer,	Corporation tax,	$ 446 78	
" "	Natl. Bank tax,	311 73	
" "	Military aid,	48 00	
" "	State aid,	616 00	
" "	Support of State Paupers,	34 25	
" "	Burial of Indigent soldiers and sailors,	17 50	
			$ 45,526 46

CR.

By paid County Tax,	$ 1,511 45	
State Tax,	1,320 00	
National Bank Tax,	1,303 70	
State Aid,	545 00	
Mititary Aid,	187 00	
Selectmen's Orders,	40,109 67	
Cash on hand,	549 64	
		$ 45,526 46

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. POORE, Treasurer.

Merrimac, February 14, 1895.

REPORT OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND.

DR.

Amount on hand March 1, 1894,	$ 17,766 11	
Interest accrued,	772 46	
Received from Town Treasurer,	1,800 00	
		$ 20,338 57

CR.

Paid Town Treas. to retire note Sept. 1, 1884,	$ 4,500 00	
" " " " " Jan. 1, 1885,	3,650 00	
		$ 8,150 00
Funds on hand:		
Bonds—Boston & Lowell R. R. 4s,	$ 4,000 00	
" Old Colony R. R. 6s,	2,000 00	
" Boston & Lowell R. R. 7s,	1,000 00	
Deposit in Merrimac Savings Bank,	679 29	
" Provident Inst. for Sav., Ames'y,	1,104 06	
Note, Town of Amesbury,	1,500 00	
" " "	1,796 00	
Deposit in First National Bank, Merrimac,	109 22	
		12,188 57
		$ 20,338 57

The commissioners advise one more annual appropriation of the amount previously appropriated, viz. $1,800.00. This amount will be sufficient to liquidate the outstanding indebtedness for which this commission was created.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. POORE, Treasurer.

Approved:

GEO. W. DAVIS, }
I. B. LITTLE, } Sinking Fund Commissioners.

Merrimac, February 12, 1895.

SINKING FUNDS.

Paid to Commissioners of Sinking Fund,	$ 1,800 00
Amount Appropriated,	1,800 00

Collector's Account.

W. C. Russell, Collector for 1891 to 1894 inclusive in account with the Town of Merrimac.

DR.

To Balance uncollected, March 1, 1894,	$ 1,942 77	
Tax List and Additions of 1894,	25,333 52	
		$27,276 29

CR.

By Discounts,	$ 894 70	
Abatements,	438 88	
Uncollected Taxes Feb. 12, 1895,	1,734 45	
Cash paid D. J. Poore, Treasurer,	24,208 26	
		$27,276 29

Annual Report of the Board of Engineers

MERRIMAC FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Merrimac:

In submitting this report the Board of Engineers take pleasure in being able to congratulate you that another year has passed without any disastrous fires. But three alarms have been sounded during the year as follows: April 30, Box 26, brush fire on land of Mrs. D. J. Poore, extinguished without any serious loss. The department responded with very commendable promptness. July 5, Box 12, sounded for brush fire on land owned by Moses Sargent. The members of the several companies rallied and extinguished the same without the aid of the apparatus, no loss. December 28, Box 12, sounded for fire on Mill street in house owned by E. C. Hopkins, occupied by Oliver Currier. Cause of fire, defective flue. Loss, $30, fully covered by insurance.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus consists of one Steam Fire Engine in first-class condition, valued at $3,000; one Hose Wagon, attached to the same, valued at $500, this wagon is as good as new. These two pieces are manned by 15 men.

One Hand Engine, first-class, valued at $1,000. Hose Reel attached to the same, valued at $200. All in perfect order and as good as new. Number of members, 35.

Hook and Ladder Truck fully equipped with extension, roof and standing ladders, life net, life line, gun and one pair

of Babcock fire extinguishers. All in first-class condition, valued at $1,050. Number of members, 10. One good hose jumper, 2,000 feet of rubber lined fabric hose, (1,000 feet nearly new,) all in good condition, 1,200 feet of leather hose and 400 feet of hose of questionable condition.

In regard to our electric alarm it has been perfected and given perfect satisfaction throughout the year. It is tested every day at 12.30 o'clock.

It affords us great pleasure to announce that we have been able to dispose of the Niagara Hand Fire Engine, advantageously, receiving for the same $150, now in the hands of the Town Treasurer. By a vote of the town this matter was placed in the hands of the engineers with full powers. But as experience has fully demonstrated that a hand engine without a full complement of men is of no practical use and even then the results to be obtained are hardly commensurate with cost of maintenance, therefore, as the annual town meeting is near at hand, your board have decided to bring the matter before you for your consideration. Now, as our insurance rates are based on the number of pieces of fire apparatus and other facilities for protection, it will be evident to all that for this reason if no other there should be some good and reliable piece of apparatus purchased to fill this vacancy.

Now, there are two ways in which this can be met. First, by purchasing a good second-hand hand engine, at a cost of not less than $400, to be manned by 35 men at an annual expense of $350; Second, by purchasing a light second-hand hand draft Steam Fire Engine at a cost not exceeding $1,000, to be manned by 12 men at an annual cost of $200. Thus, it can be readily seen that the difference in first cost will be made up in four years by the difference in running expenses, while the difference in the service rendered is incalculable.

We wish once more to acknowledge our indebtedness to the officers and members of the department not only for their promptness and efficiency, but the universal kindness and courtesy at all times shown the board of engineers.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ALBERT PARKER, Chief,
F. E. WALKER, 1st Asst. and Clerk,
L. J. O'CONNOR, 2d Assistant.

February 1, 1895. Board of Engineers.

REPORT OF THE

Trustees of the Public Library.

OF THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen—We herewith present the nineteenth annual report of the condition of Merrimac Public Library.

During the past year the Library has been opened for the delivery of books 93 times, circulating a total of 10,167 volumes. The average daily delivery has been 109, the largest number delivered in one day being 205. The monthly delivery was as follows:

February (1894), 1,082; March, 1,295; April, 973; May, 778; June, 780; July, 433; September, 789; October, 955; November, 985; December, 961; January (1895), 1,136.

During the year there has been added to the Library 169 volumes, besides the several magazines, received from the following sources: Purchased by the Trustees, 151; presented by Representatives, 8; presented by the Commonwealth, 10. There have been no books missing or unaccounted for.

The appropriation received annually in the past is recommended for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. McCONNELL,
N. P. CUMMINGS,
J. F. PEASE,
D. J. POORE,
J. A. LANCASTER,
F. O. DAVIS.

D. J. POORE, Secretary.

Merrimac, February 12, 1895.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

For the Year ending March 1, 1895.

D. J. Poore, Treasurer, in account with the Merrimac Public Library.

DR.

To balance from previous year,	$ 16 78	
Received from Catalogues,	1 15	
Cards,	1 05	
Fines,	19 95	
Books,	3 07	
Town appropriation,	500 00	
		$ 542 00

CR.

By paid for Books and Magazines,	$ 175 05	
Librarians,	200 00	
Printing,	24 35	
Binding Books,	40 20	
Binding Catalogues,	22 50	
Express,	5 80	
Charcoal,	3 25	
Furnace Register,	1 80	
Furnace Grate,	3 50	
N. L. Howe,	1 10	
Book Case,	16 00	
Wood,	4 87	
Library Bureau,	14 56	
Sundry supplies,	21 42	
Cash on hand,	7 60	
		$ 542 00

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. POORE, Treasurer.

Merrimac, February 13, 1895.

Auditor's Report.

Having examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Collector and Treasurer, I find vouchers for all orders drawn by the Selectmen, and payments made by the Treasurer.

Total amount of orders drawn by the Selectmen, $ 40,110 27

The Treas. has paid			
Orders of last year,			10 35
" this "		40,110 27	
Less orders not in			
No. 7519,	6 64		
" 7523	4 31	10 95	40,099 32
Total payment by Treas.,			$ 40,109 67

MILFORD EDWARDS, Auditor.

Merrimac, Feb. 15, 1895.

APPENDIX.

DELINQUENT TAX-PAYERS.

List of Taxes Remaining Unpaid Feb. 12, 1895.

W. C. RUSSELL, Collector.

1891-1892.

Barry, Martin	$ 70
Battis, Jas. W.	2 00
Bagley, James W.	7 38
Battis, Geo. H.	2 00
Battis, Elmer E.	3 20
Currier, Wm. A.	2 40
Connell, T. J.	38 40
Gassett, Chas. W.	18 02
Parker, John C.	2 00
Sargent, Geo. H.	2 00
Tenney, John E.	10 76
Kimball, Stephen T.	1 69
Bagley, Thomas,	1 69
Scanlon, John	2 00

1893.

Bancroft, Leman E.	15 55
Barry, Martin,	2 00
Battis, Benj. H.	13 08
Battis, Geo. H.	2 00
Berran, Roger,	2 00
Berry, Wm. H.	2 00
Banks, Fred'k S.	5 33
Currier, Jane A. Heirs,	1 90
Chase, Enoch Heirs,	11 40
Chaff, Wm. J.	2 00
Connell, T. J.	45 70
Chaplin, Chas. L.	10 55
Crofut, Levi,	31 45
Doyle, Mich. H.	1 00
Doyle, James,	21 48
Farra, Robert,	10 08
Goodwin, Heirs F. W. P.,	8 55
Gunnison, George,	27 66
Greeley, Peter,	17 20
Gassett, Chas. W.	19 10
Hunt, Frank H.	2 00
Hagg, Anton,	2 00
Jenkins, John,	2 48
Johnson, Caroline,	2 85
Lawson, Andrew,	2 00
Mooney, Robert,	2 00
McHugh, Wm.	2 00
Mailhott, Adolph,	2 00
Palmer, Moses G.	2 00
Pettigrew, Heirs F. O.	13 30
Ransom, Walter L.	2 00
Richardson, Henry C.	2 00
Rodgers, Wm. H.	2 00
Robinson, John H.	2 00
Sargent, Geo. H.	2 00
Stetson, H. Adelbert,	2 00
Stewart, C. W.	2 00
Tenney, Jno. E.	5 80
Thompson, Willard F.	1 50
Smith, George S.	95
Currier, Thos. A.	1 90
Peasley, John S.	3 33
Kimball, Stephen T.	95
Bagley, Thos.	95
Langley, Geo. W.	17 10
Cooper, Geo. E.	95
Ruel, Lawrence,	2 00
Scanlon, John,	2 00
Scanlan, John N.	2 00
Webster, A. M.	3 40

1894.

Avery, Alden A.	5 07
Addison, Joseph	35 20
Ashley, Saml. D. Jr.,	2 00
Arcand, George,	2 00
Blodgett, Lucy M.	64 75
Bailey, James W.	2 00
Bancroft, Leman E.	35 78
Barry, Martin,	2 00
Bunker, Daniel C.	25 63
Battis, Benj. H.	17 54
Battis, Geo. H.	2 00
Battis, Jas. W.	2 00
Berran, Roger,	2 00
Burns, Mich. J.	2 00
Blodgett, Wm. H.	8 13

Brady, Patrick,	2 00
Boynton, Arthur,	2 00
Barton, Thomas,	2 00
Bailey, Frank,	2 00
Bullard, Arman,	3 75
Barker, John E.	2 00
Bion, George	3 75
Brady, Mrs. Patrick,	28 00
Currier, Heirs Jane A.	1 75
Currier, Jno. W.	2 00
Currier, Wm. A.	2 44
Currier, Daniel W.	2 00
Connor, Timothy, E.	9 59
Chaff, Wm. J.	2 00
Connell, T. J.	41 38
Chapman, Chas. S.	9 97
Carter, Chas. N.	2 00
Campbell, Jarvis B.	2 00
Curley, Patrick,	2 00
Carr, Wm. F.	2 00
Crouse, Jas. C.	21 25
Currier, Otis S. Jr.,	2 00
Connor, John H.	2 00
Callum, A. J.	2 00
Colby, Chas.	2 00
Campbell, Oscar,	2 00
Connor, John,	2 00
Carter, M. V.	2 00
Caucheon, Oliver,	2 00
Cate, Fred W.	2 00
Chase, Abram W.	16 88
Colby, Warren H.	2 00
Crockett, Levi,	2 00
Cutts, Winfred S.	2 00
Currier, Oliver	2 00
Davis Ira C.	37 09
Davis, Wm. B.	2 00
Davis. Jas. A.	2 00
Doucet, F. A.	2 00
Donahue, John E.	2 00
Doyle, James	19 95
Doyle, Mich. H.	2 00
Doyle, James Jr.	2 00
Doonan, Thos.	2 00
Doonan, John	2 00
Daley, Tim. F.	2 00
Dyer, Clarence	2 00
Day, Wallace	2 00
Davis, Charles	2 00
Desantuls, Emery	2 00
Dunham, Frank E.	6 82
Dunham, John E.	2 00
Day, Earnest C.	2 00
Devine, George A.	5 07
Dorsey, D. John	2 00
Evans, John M.	2 00
Farra, Robert	9 88
Finn, Wm.	3 00
Fitzgerald, Wm. P.	2 00
Frechett, Jno.	2 00
Fritz, Carlson	2 00
Foster, Thos. C.	2 00
Foster, Ignater	2 00
Goodwin, Allen F.	2 00
Goodwin, Heirs F. W. P.	7 88
Gunnison, Geo.	26 50
Gould, I. Morrill,	20 45
Gilday, Henry	2 00
Gray, Herbert S.	2 00
Gassett, Chas. W.	17 75
Greeley, Martin	2 00
Gale, Wm. E.	2 00
Goodwin, Fred B.	2 00
Gilmore, Mathew	2 00
Gilmore, Michael	2 00
Gibbs, Geo. A.	2 00
Greely, Mich.	39 63
Greeley, Peter	16 00
Graffam, Chas. E.	2 00
Howe, Nathaniel	19 72
Hoyt, Hiers J.	23 63
Hoyt, Gilman	2 00
Hoyt, Heirs Jas. B.	14 88
Haskell, Henry,	2 00
Handley, Geo. W.	2 00
Hartt, Jno. J.	2 00
Harriman, Chas. F.	2 00
Hagg, Anton	2 00
Head, Nathaniel	2 00
Handley, Jno. E.	2 00
Jenkins, Jno.	9 44
Jenkins, Frank	2 00
Jenkins, George	2 00
Jackman, Chas.	2 00
Johnson, Caroline	2 63
Loud, Otis S.	3 75
Lawson, Andrew D.	2 00
Libbey, Ed. B.	2 00
Lee, Richard R.	2 00
Lyons, W. M.	8 57
Lea, Fred	2 00
Lucy, Wm.	3 32

Leeman, Jno.	2 00
Lofqvist, Frank	2 00
Lee, Edw.	2 00
Lyons, Wm. W.	2 00
Murphy, Mrs. Jas.	8 75
Murphy, Jas. W.	2 00
Murphy, Chas. B.	2 00
Morrill, Elbridge G.	2 00
Moody, Melville H.	2 00
Merriam, Chas. H.	17 75
Mooney, Robert	2 00
McHugh, Wm.	2 00
Mailhott, Adolphus,	2 00
Murphy, Wm. J.	2 00
Meehan, Dennis	2 00
Mansfield, Geo. L.	4 19
Merrill, Wm. M.	2 00
Martins, Wm. F.	2 50
Nichols, Herbert H.	2 00
Noyes, Chas. H. 2d	2 00
Nevins, John P.	2 00
Noon, Michael Heirs	29 32
N. & A. St. Railway	17 50
Newton, Fred W.	5 50
Newton, Charles	3 32
Olson, Lewis	2 00
O'Leary, John	2 00
Oakes, Nelon	2 00
Peaslee, Moses F.	2 00
Parker, John C.	2 00
Paradis, Chas.	35 25
Pettigrew, F. O. Heirs	12 25
Peterson, Peter	2 00
Powers, Fred W.	2 00
Reiley, Michael	35 25
Ransom, Walter L.	2 00
Ruel, Lawrence	2 00
Ruggles, Chas. D.	2 00
Rhodes, Chas. P.	2 00
Richardson, Henry C.	2 00
Richardson, Chas. A.	2 00
Ruel, Jas. L.	2 00
Rogers, Wm. H.	2 00
Reynolds, Jas.	2 00
Rowell, George	2 00
Rogers, Leslie	2 00
Sargent, Geo. H.	2 00
Shays, Wm. E.	2 00
Sheridan, Thos. W.	2 00
Sheridan, James	50
Scanlon, Jas. F.	2 00
Scanlon, John	2 00
Scofield, Herman	2 00
Stetson, H. Adelbert	2 00
Stoyle, Thos.	22 13
Sargent, Lyman S.	2 00
Scanlon, John N.	2 00
Swanberg, Chas.	2 00
Smith, Freeman	2 00
Sullivan, Patrick	2 00
Scanlon, Wm. H.	2 00
Tenney, John E.	3 50
Thompson, Willard F.	2 00
Traverse, Mich'l	16 35
Traverse, Jno. F.	2 00
Trumblay, Ed.	10 50
Tilton, W. W.	3 75
Verner, J. S.	2 00
Welch, Patrick H.	2 00
Wallace, James L.	2 00
Welch, Patrick	2 00
Wiggin, Andrew J.	2 00
Webster, Albert M.	12 50
Wentworth, Jno.	2 00
Whittier, Daniel W.	2 00
Walerius, Jacob	2 00
Wilson, Mrs. C. E.	4 56
Orpheon Club,	88
Currier, Thos. A.	1 75
Peaslee, Jno. L.	3 07
Peaslee, Richard	14 88
Favor, Mrs. Nancy	7 88
Peaslee, Reuben	7 88
Day, Joseph Heirs	1 75
Kimball, Stephen T.	88
Connor, John	5 69
Bagley, Thos.	88
Morrill, Mrs. Daniel F.	9 63
O'Nial, Jno.	2 63
Langley, Geo. W.	15 75
Nichols, Heirs Jno. A.	2 19
Sargent, O. Everett	33 25
Stacey, Thos. A.	3 50
Green, H. C. Agt.	1 75
Cooper, George	88
Noon, Mathew	2 63
Morrill, Wm. O.	26 25
Ford, Elia W.	5 25

SCHOOL REPORT.

Teachers, 1894=95.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Daniel G. Abbott,	Principal
Elvira Morrill L. Frances Tucker,	Assistants

MERRIMAC—CENTER.

First Grammar,	Ellen Gunnison Alice E. Chase
Second Grammar,	Jennie P. Clement
Intermediate,	Nellie Pearson Sadie I. Baird
Primary,	Etta H. Colby

MIDDLE STREET.

Second Grammar,	Carrie M. Evans
Primary,	Louise C. Brackett

PROSPECT STREET.

Intermediate,	Emma Pearson
Primary,	Bertha M. Boultenhouse

MERRIMACPORT.

Grammar,	Ida M. Blaisdell
Primary,	Mary H. Head

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

Highlands,	Annie M. Gray
Bear Hill,	Lilla M. Phelps
Birch Meadow,	Nellie E. Adams Annie R. Hunter

Music, Lizzie B. Smith.

Nineteenth Annual Report.

The school committee of Merrimac respectfully submit the nineteenth annual report. At the last annual meeting Mr. Frank E. Pease was elected a member of the school board for the term of three years. The committee organized with T. H. Hoyt chairman, and F. E. Pease secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Appropriated by the town,	$ 8,500 00	
Massachusetts school fund,	245 09	
Dog money,	181 76	
Rec'd for tuition and supplies,	7 17	
		$ 8,934 02
Expended for teachers' salaries	$ 6,232 50	
Care of school rooms,	556 02	
Fuel,	397 30	
Books and supplies,	532 37	
Repairs and furniture,	402 65	
Sundries,	205 97	
Balance unexpended,	607 21	
		$ 8,934 02

All school expenses have been paid to February 1st, the beginning of a new financial year. All the schools will close March 22d, making a school year of 38 weeks, two weeks longer than the last school year.

REPAIRS.

The permanent repairs made during the year consisted in shingling the Merrimacport school house, which leaked badly, and building a new platform and steps for the same; building a new platform for the Prospect street house, building a fence

at Birch Meadow, and making a few general minor repairs. New seats and desks have been placed in the fifth grade room at the Center; the old ones which were too small to be used by the scholars in that room without injury to themselves, were placed in the third grade room. The school buildings are now in very good repair, except the privies of the center school house, which are in a very dilapidated condition and beyond repair. These should be removed the coming year and replaced by a new and proper structure.

GRADING.

In the fall of 1893 as stated in the report of last year, the Center schools were quite thoroughly graded. It is quite gratifying for your committee to be able to report that the success attending this change in grading, quite noticeable during that year, has been still more marked during the past year. Could the two primaries be graded it would result in great benefit not only to those schools, but to all the other schools; but owing to the location of the school houses this cannot at present be accomplished, as the distance to travel would be too great for children so small. The first grammar school has two classes, which numbered last year fifty-five scholars. Had the school continued as large the present year, a new school would have been necessary for the eighth grade pupils, and this school would then have been graded as a matter of necessity. But the school being much smaller than last year still has two classes. It may be possible at no distant day to grade the school by combining the two classes, and to complete the work preparatory to the high school in eight years instead of nine; eight years is the prescribed time in many cities and towns which have schools of high grade.

SUPERINTENDENT.

The subject of employing a superintendent of schools has frequently been before the people of Merrimac. All who

have given thought to the matter and are desirous of the progress of the schools, believe that the employment of a superintendent under proper conditions, is the greatest need of the schools.

Hitherto we believe that we have had no opportunity to secure skilled supervision at small expense under such favorable conditions as now exist. Last year the town of Bradford at its annual meeting in April voted to unite with Merrimac to form a district for the employment of a superintendent, under the law by which the state gives aid to towns forming such a district.

Our annual meeting having been held no action was taken by our town last year. This year the school committee of Bradford have informed us that they still desire to form the union with Merrimac, and that the question will again be presented at the annual meeting of their town. There is but little doubt that Bradford will again express itself in favor of the union.

Your school committee are heartily in favor of forming this union, have so notified the school committee of Bradford, and have caused an articie to be inserted in the warrant for our annual meeting in March, to see what action the town of Merrimac will take in regard to the question. We earnestly hope, for the welfare of the schools, that our town will express itself as favorable to the proposed union.

If the district is formed, a good superintendent can be obtained for, say $1500; $750 of this salary is paid to the superintendent by the state, leaving the sum of $750 to be paid by Bradford and Merrimac, say three-fifths or $450 by Bradford, and two-fifths or $300, by Merrimac.

Then the state, in addition to $750 paid by it to the superintendent, pays to the two towns the sum of $500, say three-fifths of that sum, or $300 to Bradford, and two-fifths,

or $200 to Merrimac. Thus Merrimac pays $300 to the superintendent and receives from the state $200; the net cost to Merrimac being $100 only, and she would be entitled to two-fifths of the time of the superintendent. If a salary of $1600 were paid to a superintendent the cost to Merrimac would be of course $40 more. The proportions mentioned above we are quite sure would be the proportion of expense and service should the towns unite.

The conditions under which the towns can receive this aid from the state, are that they shall appropriate and raise by taxation for the support of schools an "amount equal to the average of the total sum paid, or to the sum paid per child, for schools during the three years next preceding," and in addition the two towns must raise the sum of $750; it is also required that the towns shall use the money paid to them by the state in paying salaries of teachers. But the cost to Merrimac in employing a superintendent at $1500 would be but $100, although the town should raise at least $350 in addition to the regular appropriation for schools.

Bradford is the only neighboring town with which Merrimac can alone unite to form a district, and receive aid from the state. Should Merrimac unite with Amesbury the state could give no aid, as Amesbury's valuation is too high to allow her to receive aid under this law. Should Merrimac unite with any other neighboring town she must unite with at least two in order to receive aid from the state, as the number of schools in the union district must be at least twenty-five, and so good a superintendent could not be obtained nor would Merrimac receive so much of his time. It seems to us that the opportunity is a golden one and should be heartily embraced at once.

Within another year the valuation of Bradford may be so high that the union cannot be effected, as above a certain

valuation which Bradford has nearly reached, the state gives no aid; but a union once effected may continue three years whatever be the increase in valuation.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The past year has been a quiet one for the schools, and most of them have made considerable progress along all lines, and are in good condition.

In the supervision of the schools the committee have avoided making radical changes by way of experiment, but have constantly endeavored to gradually introduce well established modern methods and arrangements. Early in the year, Mr. MacDonald, agent of the State Board of Education, visited our schools, made quite a thorough examination of them, conferred with the committee and teachers regarding methods of teaching and management, and made many valuable suggestions, which have proved beneficial to the schools. By his recommendation a teachers' association has been recently organized, holding monthly meetings to discuss methods, compare progress, and consider matters of school interest. It is expected that much benefit will result from these meetings and from the investigation, thought and study, in preparing for them.

We desire to call the attention of parents to one cause which greatly impedes the progress of the schools and disturbs their appearance; we refer to absences and tardiness. We believe that in many instances tardiness, absences, and dismissals are unnecessary, and if the parents fully realized the effect upon the child and upon the school they would be less frequent.

In every case of dismissal, absence, and tardiness, the parent should give a written excuse to the teacher and it should contain the reason of the dismissal, absence or tardiness. The superintendent of the Haverhill schools says in one of his

reports :—"The school has legal claims and claims of courtesy, and at least in courtesy the parent should state why the pupil failed to attend. Every lady or gentleman gives the reason for failure to meet a social or business engagement. There is no principle or reason for refusing the school and the teacher such courtesy."

We would urge parents and friends to make frequent visits to the schools. By so doing they will contribute much to their progress. These visits would be a valuable aid to teachers and scholars in many ways and should be made as a duty to the public if for no other reason. No one thinks of employing another to perform menial labor of any kind without careful direction and oversight; yet to the teacher is committed the most difficult and delicate trust of the training of children, and comparatively few are the parents who give her their aid and encouragement by their frequent presence in the school.

APPROPRIATION.

We ask that the sum of $8,300 be appropriated for general school purposes the coming year; we do not see how it could well be less. Our financial statement shows an unexpended balance of $607.21; this statement is made as of January 31st the close of the financial year. Since the close of the financial year expenses to the amount of some $400 have been incurred to complete one year of school. Therefore the unexpended balance, were the expenses of a whole year paid, would be but about $200.

T. H. HOYT,
BION GREEN,
FRANK E. PEASE, } School Committee.

Merrimac High School.

GRADUATES, 1894.

Elizabeth W. Patten,

Isabel D. Hoyt,

Frances K. Barry,

Joseph H. Leavitt,

Cora A. Lawson,

Nellie S. Clement.

CLASS MOTTO.

"Animus mihi anchora."

TABLE No. 1.

STATISTICS OF SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	Number of Days in Term.	Number of Scholars.	Average Number of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Number of Times Late.	Number of Visitors.	Teachers' Wages per month.
High, (Principal) .	60	42	39.	37.	25	26	$105.26
(Assistant) .							52.63
Center, 1st Grammar, .	60	52	51.5	50.5	8	34	50.00
Center, 2d Grammar, .	60	27	26.	25.	26	10	40.00
Center, Intermediate, .	60	29	28.5	28.	12	14	40.00
Center, Primary, . .	60	35	33.	30.	29	23	40.00
Plains Intermediate . .	60	37	34.	32.	18	23	40.00
Plains Primary, . .	60	53	45.	44.	16	24	40.00
Middle St. 2d Grammar, .	60	28	27.	26.	3	18	45.00
Middle St. Primary, .	60	44	42.	37.	60	23	40.00
Merrimacport Grammar, .	60	30	30.	28.	33	16	45.00
Merrimacport Primary. .	60	40	39.	35.	34	10	40.00
Bear Hill, ...	60	29	28.	24.	11	6	40.00
Birch Meadow, . . .	50	17	13.	10.	53	21	30.00
Highlands, ...	60	9	8.	7.5	35	10	30.00

TABLE No. 2.

STATISTICS OF WINTER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	Number of Days in Term.	Number of Scholars.	Average Number of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Number of Times Late.	Number of Visitors.	Teachers' Wages per month.
High, (Principal) -	130	76	71.	67.	33	19	$105.26
(Assistant) .							52.63
Center 1st Grammar, .	125	44	43.	42.	7	17	50.00
Center 2d Grammar, .	130	24	23.	22.	38	16	40.00
Center Intermediate, .	130	32	31.	29.	49	18	40.00
Center Primary, . .	130	34	32.	29.	40	40	40.00
Plains Intermediate, .	125	46	42.	39.	14	25	40.00
Plains Primary, . .	130	45	42.	38.	43	30	40.00
Middle St. 2d Grammar, .	130	28	26.	24.	13	21	45.00
Middle St. Primary, . .	130	47	40.	35.	62	40	40.00
Merrimacport Grammar, .	130	25	23.	22.	59	14	45.00
Merrimacport Primary, .	130	33	31.	27.	47	15	40.00
Bear Hill, . . .	130	28	22.	18.	21	15	40.00
Birch Meadow, . .	110	17	13.	10.	53	21	30.00
Highlands, . . .	80	9	8.	7.	59	17	30.00

ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT

FOR THE

Annual Meeting, Monday, March 4, 1895.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for Town Clerk; three Selectmen who will be Assessors and Overseers of the Poor; Treasurer; Collector of Taxes; one School Committee for three years; one Trustee of Cemetery for three years; one Commissioner of Sinking Fund for three years and one for the unexpired term of J. D. Pike; two Trustees of Public Library for three years; three Constables; three Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark; three Fence Viewers; three Field Drivers; Auditor of Accounts. Also to bring in their votes upon the same ballot, Yes or No, on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" In voting under this article the polls will be opened at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon and may be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Article 3. To determine what sum of money shall be raised to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the town for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same. To hear the report of the committee upon appropriations.

Article 4. To fix the time for the payment of taxes and see what discount, if any, the town will allow for the prompt payment of taxes. Also to see what interest, if any, the town will charge on taxes remaining unpaid after the time

fixed for the payment thereof. Also to determine the compensation for collecting.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes and to pay any indebtedness of the town.

ARTICLE 6. On petition of Thomas H. Hoyt and others to see if the town will unite with Bradford under the provisions of Chapter 431 of the acts of 1888 and subsequent amendments relating to the employment of a superintendent of schools and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 7. On petition of the board of Engineers of the Fire Department, to see what action the town will take in regard to the purchase of a suitable piece of fire apparatus to fill the vacancy caused by the sale of the Niagara Engine and to make the necessary appropriations to carry your action upon this article into effect.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to enable the Selectmen to place an amount of Insurance upon the Fire Department property as per vote of last year.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to accept the jury list as revised by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to rebuild a part of the bank wall on Broad street adjoining land of James Whittier and make appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 11. To see what action the town will take on the claim of Charles H. Merriam for damages for injuries received by falling on icy sidewalk on Vendome street.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to restrain neat cattle and horse kind from running at large. And to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.